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## **WE CLAIM:**

1. A method for preparing a compound of the formula

$$R^2-N$$
 $N-R^1$ 

wherein R<sup>1</sup> denotes substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, aryl, arylalkoxy, tosyl, benzoyl, formyl, acetyl or amine; R<sup>2</sup> denotes substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, alkoxy, aryl, aryloxy or arylalkoxy; and R<sup>3</sup> denotes substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, alkoxy, aryl, aryloxy or arylalkoxy,

comprising the step of reacting a compound of the formula

$$R^{2}$$
 $R^{3}$ 
 $R^{5}$ 

wherein R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>3</sup> are as defined above and R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>5</sup> are independently selected from the group consisting of fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo,

with a compound of the formula H<sub>2</sub>N-R<sup>1</sup>, wherein R<sup>1</sup> is as defined above.

- 2. The method of claim 1, wherein R<sup>1</sup> is selected from the group consisting of aryl, acetyl, formyl, benzoyl, amine and tosyl.
  - 3. The method of claim 2, wherein R<sup>1</sup> is tosyl.
  - 4. The method of claim 1, wherein R<sup>2</sup> is methyl.

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- 5. The method of claim 1, wherein R<sup>3</sup> is phenyl.
- 6. The method of claim 1, wherein R<sup>4</sup> is chloro.
- 7. The method of claim 1, wherein R<sup>5</sup> is chloro.
- 8. The method of claim 1, wherein the reaction is performed in a solvent selected from the group consisting of DMF, DMAC, ethers, ethyleneglycol dimethyl ether, diethyleneglycol dimethyl ether, propyleneglycol dimethyl ether, DMSO, xylene, benzene, ethylbenzene, acetonitrile and toluene.
  - 9. The method of claim 8, wherein said solvent is DMF.
  - 10. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of adding a strong base.
- 11. The method of claim 10, wherein said strong base is selected from the group consisting of sodium hydroxide, sodium hydride, potassium hydroxide, potassium hydride, sodium methoxide and sodium amide.
  - 12. The method of claim 11, wherein the base is sodium hydroxide.
  - 13. The method of claim 11, wherein the base is sodium hydride.
- 14. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of removing R<sup>1</sup> by hydrolysis.
- 15. The method of claim 14, wherein R<sup>1</sup> is removed by hydrolysis using a strong acid.
  - 16. The method of claim 15, wherein the acid is selected from the group consisting

of sulfuric acid, hydrochloric acid, phosphoric acid and p-toluene sulfonic acid.

- 17. The method of claim 16, wherein the acid is sulfuric acid.
- 5 18. The method of claim 17 wherein the sulfuric acid has a concentration of about 98%.
  - 19. A method for preparing a compound of the formula:

$$R^2-N$$
 $N-R^1$ 
 $R^3$ 

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wherein R<sup>1</sup> denotes substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, aryl, arylalkoxy, tosyl, formyl, benzoyl, acetyl or amine; R<sup>2</sup> denotes substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, alkoxy, aryl, aryloxy or arylalkoxy; and R<sup>3</sup> denotes substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, alkoxy, aryl, aryloxy or arylalkoxy,

comprising the step of reacting a compound of the formula

$$R^2-N$$
 $R^5$ 
 $R^3$ 

wherein R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>3</sup> are as defined above and R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>5</sup> are independently selected from the group consisting of fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo,

with a compound of the formula  $H_2N-R^1$ , wherein  $R^1$  is as defined above.

20. The method of claim 19, wherein R<sup>1</sup> is selected from the group consisting of aryl, acetyl, formyl, benzoyl, amine and tosyl.

- 21. The method of claim 20, wherein R<sup>1</sup> is tosyl.
- 22. The method of claim 19, wherein R<sup>2</sup> is methyl.
- 23. The method of claim 19, wherein R<sup>3</sup> is phenyl.
- 24. The method of claim 19, wherein R<sup>4</sup> is chloro.
- 25. The method of claim 19, wherein R<sup>5</sup> is chloro.
- 26. The method of claim 19, wherein the reaction is performed in a solvent selected from the group consisting of DMF, DMAC, ethers, ethyleneglycol dimethyl ether, diethyleneglycol dimethyl ether, propyleneglycol dimethyl ether, DMSO, xylene, benzene, ethylbenzene, acetonitrile and toluene.
  - 27. The method of claim 26, wherein said solvent is DMF.
  - 28. The method of claim 19, further comprising the step of adding a strong base.
- 29. The method of claim 28, wherein the base is selected from the group consisting of sodium hydroxide, sodium hydride, potassium hydroxide, potassium hydroxide, sodium methoxide and sodium amide.
  - 30. The method of claim 29 wherein the base is sodium hydride.
  - 31. The method of claim 29, wherein the strong base is sodium hydroxide.
- 32. The method of claim 19, further comprising the step of removing R<sup>1</sup> by hydrolysis.

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- 33. The method of claim 32, wherein R<sup>1</sup> is removed by hydrolysis using a strong acid.
- 34. The method of claim 33, wherein the acid is selected from the group consisting of sulfuric acid, hydrochloric acid, phosphoric acid and p-toluene sulfonic acid.
  - 35. The method of claim 34, wherein the acid is sulfuric acid.
  - 36. The method of claim 35 wherein the sulfuric acid has a concentration of about 98%.
    - 37. A method for preparing a compound of the formula:

which comprises the step of reacting a compound having the formula:

with a compound having the formula:

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- 38. The method of claim 37, wherein the reaction is done in a solvent selected from the group consisting of DMF, DMAC, ethers, ethyleneglycol dimethyl ether, diethyleneglycol dimethyl ether, propyleneglycol dimethyl ether, DMSO, xylene, benzene, ethylbenzene, acetonitrile and toluene.
  - 39. The method of claim 38, wherein said solvent is DMF.
  - 40. The method of claim 37, further comprising the step of adding a strong base.
- 41. The method of claim 40, wherein said strong base is selected from the group consisting of sodium hydroxide, sodium hydride, potassium hydroxide, potassium hydroxide, sodium methoxide and sodium amide.
  - 42. The method of claim 41, wherein the base is sodium hydroxide.
  - 43. The method of claim 41, wherein the strong base in sodium hydroxide.
- 44. The method of claim 37, further comprising the step of removing the tosyl group by hydrolysis.
- 45. The method of claim 44, wherein the tosyl group is removed by hydrolysis using a strong acid.

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- 46. The method of claim 45, wherein the acid is selected from the group consisting of sulfuric acid, hydrochloric acid, phosphoric acid and p-toluene sulfonic acid.
  - 47. The method of claim 46, wherein the acid is sulfuric acid.
- 48. The method of claim 47 wherein the sulfuric acid has a concentration of about 98%.
  - 49. A compound of the formula:

$$R^2-N$$
 $N-R^1$ 
 $R^3$ 

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wherein R<sup>1</sup> denotes substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, aryl, arylalkoxy, tosyl, formyl, benzoyl, acetyl or amine; R<sup>2</sup> denotes substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, alkoxy, aryl, aryloxy or arylalkoxy; and R<sup>3</sup> denotes substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, alkoxy, aryl, aryloxy or arylalkox.

50. A compound of the formula:

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